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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Gierl et al. **GROUP:** 2644
SERIAL NO: 10/092,374 **EXAMINER:** Brian T. Pendleton
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FOR: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR
MULTICHANNEL SOUND REPRODUCTION SYSTEM

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Entry of this preliminary amendment is requested in order to correct some claim language.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 1-2, 7, 9, 15, 17 and 23-24 as follows: